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SUBJ: ALGERIAN ANTI-HIJACKING LEGISLATIONS

REF: STATE 023900

MONTREAL FOR USREP ICAO

1. EVENING FEBRUARY 6 I HAD OPPORTUNITY TO TELL CHIEF CONSULAR AND JURIDICAL AFFAIRS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY, MEDJAD, THAT NEW ALGERIAN ANTI-HIJACKING LEGISLATION HAD BEEN WELL RECEIVED IN USG. HE SEEMED PLEASED HAVING BEEN MAIN FORCE IN MINISTRY PUSHING FOR LEGISLATION. HE ADMITTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN SOME OPPOSITION, ONE PROBLEM BEING THAT MINISTRY OF JUSTICE HAD AT ONE POINT INSISTED THAT THERE SHOULD BE A SINGLE PENALTY FOR HIJACKING: DEATH.

2. MEDJAD INDICATED THAT NEW LAW APPLIES REGARDLESS OF WHERE HIJACKING OCCURS. (WE WOULD EXPECT LAW TO BE APPLIED WITH FULL CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO POLITICAL ASPECTS OF HIJACKING.)

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3. IN REPLY TO MY QUESTION WHETHER ALGERIA WAS  
NOW PREPARED TO ADHERE TO HAGUE AND MONTREAL  
CONVENTIONS, MEDJAD SAID THAT THIS WOULD PROBABLY  
HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL AFTER A MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT.  
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